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MEMORANDUM FOR SECRETARY KISSINGER  
FROM: THE SITUATION ROOM  
SUBJECT: MORNING NEWS SUMMARY

THE WASHINGTON POST

A LARGE PICTURE OF YOU SHOWING DETAILS OF THE SINAI AGREEMENT TO PRESIDENT FORD, SENATORS ROBERT BYRD AND MIKE MANSSFIELD APPEARS ON THE FRONT PAGE.

GEORGE LARDNER REPORTS FORMER PRESIDENT NIXON HAS AGREED TO GIVE SENATE INVESTIGATORS SUBPOENAED TAPES AND DOCUMENTS CONCERNING CIA EFFORTS TO BLOCK THE ELECTION OF SALVADOR ALLENDE AS PRESIDENT OF CHILE. (A-1)

PETER OSNOS COMMENTS FROM MOSCOW THAT THE SOVIET UNION IS NOW SHOWING INCREASING RESENTMENT AT THE AMERICAN STAND ON MANY MAJOR ISSUES. THE SOVIETS ARE EXPRESSING SHARP DIFFERENCES WITH THE U.S. IN TERMS AS STRONG AS ANY EMPLOYED IN THE DETENTE ERA. ALTHOUGH ALWAYS COUCHED IN TERMS OF CONTINUING SUPPORT FOR DETENTE AND THE NEED FOR CLOSER SOVIET-AMERICAN TIES, MOSCOW'S UNHAPPINESS ON MANY FRONTS TENDS TO OVERWHELM SUCH POSITIVE COMMENTS ON PROGRESS AS DO APPEAR. (A-1)

MURREY HARDER REPORTS THE PRESIDENT AND YOU HAVE GAINED LOP-SIDED SUPPORT FROM CONGRESSIONAL LEADERS FOR ASSIGNING AMERICANS TO HELP KEEP PEACE BETWEEN ISRAEL AND EGYPT. THE PRECEDENT OF DIRECT U.S. PARTICIPATION IN MIDDLE EAST PEACEKEEPING, PLUS THE ESTIMATED COST OF NEARLY \$3 BILLION IN U.S. AID FOR ISRAEL AND EGYPT, CLEARLY TROUBLED MANY MEMBERS OF CONGRESS. (A-1)

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AGREEMENT MAKES CONSPICUOUS AND PROBABLY IRREVERSIBLE WHAT WAS ONLY DIM AND TENTATIVE BEFORE -- THAT DEEPENING AMERICAN ENGAGEMENT IS THE KEY TO WHAT PROMISE THERE NOW IS OF BRINGING A SETTLEMENT TO THE MIDDLE EAST. ONLY THE U.S. HAS THE STANDING WITH ALL THE REGIONAL PARTIES, INCLUDING COEXISTENCE-MINDED PALESTINIANS, TO ACT AS A MEDIATOR. ONLY THE U.S. HAS THE MILITARY AND DIPLOMATIC CREDIBILITY TO MAKE PROMISES AND TAKE ON BURDENS IN A MANNER SATISFACTORY TO THE PARTIES. COMMUNIST PROPAGANDA AND NEW LEFT RHETORIC NOTWITHSTANDING, ONLY THE U.S. IS FREE OF THE DISABLING SUSPICION THAT ITS MOTIVES ARE TOO IMPURE. ACCORDINGLY, THE LATEST AGREEMENT MUST BE SEEN AS AN EXAMPLE OF AND A PRECEDENT FOR THE GROWING AMERICAN INVOLVEMENT THAT HAS BECOME ESSENTIAL IF THE SETTLEMENT PROCESS IS TO GO ON. ON TACTICS AND DETAILS A HUNDRED QUESTIONS REMAIN OPEN: WHETHER TO GO TO GENEVA, WHAT TO DO ABOUT JERUSALEM, AND SO ON. BUT ON GRAND STRATEGY, CONGRESS AND THE REST OF US OUGHT TO LOOK AT THE LATEST ISRAELI-EGYPTIAN ACCORD AS THE WAVE OF A FUTURE IN WHICH, UNDER THE AMERICAN LEAD, PEACE COULD EVENTUALLY COME TO THE MIDEAST. (A-2)

SOL M. LINOWITZ CONTENDS THAT THE PANAMA CANAL ISSUE IS THE MOST EXPLOSIVE ISSUE IN LATIN AMERICA. NEITHER THE ADMINISTRATION NOR THOSE MEMBERS OF THE CONGRESS SUPPORTING A NEW TREATY HAVE DIRECTLY RESPONDED TO THE ARGUMENTS AND CONCERNS OF THOSE WHO ARE OPPOSING THE TREATY. RATHER, THEY HAVE BEEN CONTENT TO LET THE OPPOSITION BUILD IN THE APPARENT EXPECTATION THAT ONCE A TREATY IS NEGOTIATED THEY WILL BE ABLE TO MAKE THEIR CASE EFFECTIVELY. BUT TIME IS RUNNING OUT AND OPPOSITION IS BUILDING. MEANWHILE, AMBASSADOR ELLSWORTH BUNKER AND PANAMANIAN FOREIGN MINISTER JUAN TACK MAKE PROGRESS TOWARD A NEW TREATY WHICH MAY FACE REJECTION IN THE SENATE. IF THAT HAPPENS, WE MAY FIND THAT THE PANAMA CANAL HAS BECOME A TINDERBOX. IT IS LONG PAST TIME TO TAKE A HARD LOOK AT THE ARGUMENTS BEING ADVANCED AGAINST THE NEW TREATY AND TO DEAL WITH THEM FORTHRIGHTLY. GOOD QUESTIONS ARE BEING ASKED AND THEY DESERVE RESPONSIVE ANSWERS. (A-2)

THE NEW YORK TIMES

YOUR PICTURE APPEARS ON THE FRONT PAGE WITH THE PRESIDENT, MANSFIELD, AND ALBERT.

DAVID BINDER NOTES THAT STATE DEPARTMENT OFFICIALS TOLD CONGRESSIONAL LEADERS YESTERDAY THAT THEY WERE MORE HOPEFUL ABOUT THE POLITICAL OUTLOOK IN PORTUGAL AS A RESULT OF RECENT GAINS OF MORE MODERATE FORCES OVER PROCOMMUNISTS THERE. THIS ESTIMATE WAS GIVEN IN TESTIMONY BY A DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY FOR EUROPEAN AFFAIRS, L. BRUCE LATIGEN, IN A CLOSED SES-

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SIGN OF THE HOUSE INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE ON  
POLITICAL AND MILITARY AFFAIRS. (2)

SENATOR JACOB K. JAVITS CALLED LAST NIGHT FOR A "CLARIFICATION  
AND A REDEFINITION" OF U.S. POLICY IN ASIA, INCLUDING THE  
DISBANDING OF THE SOUTHEAST ASIA TREATY ORGANIZATION. (2)

YOUR PICTURE APPEARS ON PAGE 3 WITH SENATOR SPARKMAN.

ROBERT B. SEMPLE WRITES THAT THE MAJOR WEAPONS-PRODUCING NA-  
TIONS OF THE WEST ARE RELYING MORE AND MORE ON ARMS EXPORTS  
TO THE MIDDLE EAST TO HELP OFFSET THE INCREASED COSTS OF OIL.

THIS WAS ONE OF SEVERAL CONCLUSIONS EXPRESSED YESTERDAY BY  
OFFICIALS OF THE INSTITUTE FOR STRATEGIC STUDIES, WHICH HAS  
JUST PUBLISHED ITS ANNUAL REVIEW OF THE WORLD'S ARMAMENTS AND  
ARMED FORCES. (3)

KATHLEEN TELTSCH REPORTS THE U.S. PRESENCE ALREADY IS WELL  
ESTABLISHED IN THE SINAI, WHERE A SMALL GROUP OF AMERICAN  
MILITARY OBSERVERS PERFORM INSPECTION ASSIGNMENTS WITH THE  
UNITED NATIONS EMERGENCY FORCE. (5)

CRAIG R. WHITNEY CONTENDS THAT THE 7,000 AMERICAN TACTICAL  
NUCLEAR WEAPONS STORED IN EUROPE ARE BECOMING A CRITICALLY  
IMPORTANT ISSUE AS THE WESTERN ALLIES PREPARE TO RESUME TALKS  
WITH THE SOVIET UNION ON REDUCING THE NUMBER OF SOVIET AND  
AMERICAN TROOPS IN CENTRAL EUROPE. THE WESTERN EUROPEANS  
ARE NERVOUS ABOUT PRESSURE ON THE FORD ADMINISTRATION FROM  
CONGRESS, IN A POST-VIETNAM MOOD, TO TAKE SOME OF THE WAR-  
HEADS BACK HOME, WITH OR WITHOUT NEGOTIATIONS. CRITICS IN  
CONGRESS ASSERT THAT IT IS DANGEROUS AND ENTANGLING TO HAVE  
SO MANY SO CLOSE TO THE FRONT LINE BETWEEN EAST AND WEST.  
(6)

STEPHEN S. KAPLAN A STAFF MEMBER OF THE BROOKINGS INSTITUTION  
CONTENDS THAT, IN THE CONTROVERSY THIS SUMMER OVER THE AD-  
MINISTRATION'S DESIRE TO SELL TO JORDAN FOURTEEN BATTERIES  
OF HAWK SURFACE-TO-AIR MISSILES, AND OTHER MILITARY EQUIPMENT  
THERE WAS AN UNFORTUNATE ABSENCE OF DISCUSSION ABOUT THE  
SIGNIFICANCE OF SUCH ARMS TRANSFERS TO THE PRESERVATION OF  
KING HUSSEIN'S REGIME. QUITE RIGHTLY, SERIOUS CONSIDERATION  
WAS GIVEN TO THE SIGNIFICANCE OF THESE ARMAMENTS TO THE MID-  
DLE EAST MILITARY BALANCE. NOW THAT THE ADMINISTRATION HAS  
RESUBMITTED TO CONGRESS A NOTICE OF INTENTION TO SELL THE  
BATTERIES TO JORDAN -- IT WITHDREW THE PROPOSED SALE FROM  
CONGRESSIONAL CONSIDERATION IN JULY WHEN FACED WITH THE PRO-  
SPECT OF DEFEAT -- THE IMPORTANCE OF SUCH A SALE BEARS  
FURTHER EXAMINATION. IN A LETTER THIS WEEK TO U.S. SENATORS

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AND SOME REPRESENTATIVES, URGING APPROVAL OF THE SALE OF FOURTEEN HAWK BATTERIES, HUSSEIN THREATENED TO TURN TO MOSCOW IF IT IS REJECTED. WHILE IT IS DOUBTFUL THAT HUSSEIN WOULD TURN TO THE RUSSIANS, NEITHER PURCHASES ELSEWHERE NOR A WEAKENING OF HIS REGIME SERVE ANY U.S. INTEREST. (29)

# THE BALTIMORE SUN

THOMAS PEPPER WRITES THAT EARL BUTZ, TOLD A SENATE COMMITTEE YESTERDAY THAT HE THOUGHT IT WOULD BE A "MISTAKE" TO MAKE FURTHER GRAIN SALES TO THE SOVIET UNION WITHOUT FIRST RESOLVING A DISPUTE WITH MARITIME UNIONS OVER THE WHOLE IDEA OF SUCH SALES. MR. BUTZ WAS IMMEDIATELY CRITICIZED BY SENATOR HENRY BELLMON FOR FOLLOWING WHAT MR. BELLMON CALLED "A GUTLESS POLICY" THAT WOULD ALLOW UNION LEADERS, PARTICULARLY GEORGE MEANY, THE AFL-CIO PRESIDENT, TO CONTROL THE TERMS OF FOREIGN TRADE. (A-1)

YOUR PICTURE APPEARS ON THE FRONT PAGE.

GILBERT A. LEWTHWAITE REPORTS THAT PRESIDENT BISCARD D'ESTAING YESTERDAY UNVEILED A 87 BILLION REFLATIONARY PACKAGE AIMED AT SOAKING UP FRANCE'S UNEMPLOYMENT, INCREASING INDUSTRIAL CONFIDENCE AND ENCOURAGING CONSUMER SPENDING. (A-2)

ACCORDING TO REUTER, WITH THE EXCEPTION OF ROMANIA, SOVIET BLOC NATIONS YESTERDAY EXPRESSED STRONG RESERVATIONS ABOUT THE NEW ISRAELI-EGYPTIAN INTERIM PEACE AGREEMENT, CALLING THE PACT DANGEROUS AND TOO LIMITED. (A-2)

REUTER REPORTS RHODESIA'S BLACK NATIONALISTS YESTERDAY WERE CAUGHT UP IN BITTER INTERNAL RIVALRIES THAT HAVE BADLY SET BACK HOPES OF A CONSTITUTIONAL CONFERENCE WITH THE RHODESIAN GOVERNMENT. THERE WERE INDICATIONS OF MOVES TO FORCE AN ELECTION THAT ALMOST CERTAINLY WOULD RESULT IN JOSHUA NKOMO, REGARDED AS A MODERATE, TAKING OVER AS PRESIDENT OF THE AFRICAN NATIONAL COUNCIL FROM BISHOP ABEL MUZORENA. (A-4)  
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